

INFORMAL MINUTES OF MEETING OF DIRECTOR AND CONSULTANTS,
INTERDEPARTMENTAL FOREIGN INFORMATION ORGANIZATION, HELD AT
2:30 P.M., JANUARY 15, 1951.

PRESENT: Edward W. Barrett, Chairman, Department of State
General Magruder, Department of Defense
General McClure, Department of the Army
Admiral Stevens, JCS
Mr. Andrew Berding, ECA
Mr. Frank Wisner, CIA
Mr. Sherman Sheppard, NSC
Mr. William T. Stone, Executive Secretary
Mr. Charles Norberg, IFIS
Mr. Reed Harris, IE
Mrs. Alice T. Curran, P
Mr. Bradley Connors, FE/P (for Item 4 on the agenda)
Mr. Joseph Phillips was absent (attending CFM back-
stopping meeting)

I. Policy Guidance Matters:

a) Russian Plan

Revised document will be distributed at the end of
this week or early next week for comment.

b) China Plan

Being distributed for coordinated comments today.

II. Project Brainwave

Mr. William I. Nichols (Editor of This Week Magazine)
will be in Washington Wednesday and Thursday for pre-
liminary discussions of this project. Mrs. Curran to
work on getting appropriate meetings established.

III. Report on Intelligence Matters

a) Mr. Norberg reviewed the results of research on
available documentation on German psychological warfare
activities against the Soviet and Japanese psychological war-
fare activities against the Chinese. The Board agreed to ask
CIA to have an analysis made of the material available, and
the Board is to be kept advised of the progress made on this
assignment.

b) The matter of coordinating psychological warfare
research and intelligence assignments within the Federal
Government was discussed. Mr. Norberg is to follow through with

State Department review completed

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a request to the Library of Congress for specific examples of calls on that organization for research in this field. This matter will be coordinated through a committee (Psychological Warfare Intelligence Committee) on which Mr. Norberg has been working. A copy of the report of this Committee's findings will be distributed to each member of the Board for their information and comment at the January 29th meeting.

c) The matter of intelligence support for this Board was brought to the Board's attention and Mr. Norberg's suggestion for an appropriate briefing room will be discussed by Messrs. Norberg and Barrett and Mrs. Curran and a report will be given to the Board at a subsequent meeting.

IV. Review of Psychological Warfare in Korea

General McClure and Mr. Connors reported. It was agreed:

Mr. Stone should prepare for the Chairman a draft statement expressing the Board's views:

a) that more emphasis should be placed on psychological warfare activities in Korea;

b) recommending the transfer of psychological warfare from G 3 to status of a special staff division in the theater's table of organization.

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